

ST. OLAVE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH
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Announcements for March 1, 2020

TODAY AT ST. OLAVE'S

COFFEE HOUR: Visitors and parishioners, please join us downstairs after the 10:30 a.m. service for fellowship and light refreshments. Thank you to Lisa and Henry Jeens for hosting this morning's coffee hour.

YOUTH GROUP: Games afternoon in the Parish Hall.

SAFE CHURCH WORKSHOP will be held in the Ethel Brown Room following the 10:30 service today. **Please note that attendance at one of these sessions is mandatory for everyone holding medium- or high-risk ministry positions.** If you currently hold one of these positions and you haven't already been contacted, or if you intend to sign up for a new position in the coming year, please contact the Assistant Curate, Alexandra Pohlod, at curate@stolaves.ca, or by telephone at 416-769-5686 ext. 3. We are grateful to you for the work you do and for your cooperation in following the diocesan requirements.

LENTEN EVENSONG AND MUSIC FROM PLAINSONG TO

ANGLICAN CHANT: Join us this afternoon for Evensong with the Healey Willan Singers at 4, followed by a music feature by Dr. Jesse Billett of the University of Toronto. From the earliest times, the Biblical book of Psalms has enjoyed pride of place in Christian worship. The feature will begin with the psalmody of early Christian monks who, departing from the elaborate singing of solo lectors in urban churches, created a new and simple way of chanting the psalms that allowed them to recite the texts together. This simple system was the backbone of Western musical education throughout the Middle Ages, and it survived the tumults of the Protestant Reformation, being given new life by composers such as Thomas Tallis and John Morley. This tradition gave birth, not only to what would come to be known as Anglican chant (sung by choirs), but also to the popular psalm tunes that were the first hymns.

THIS WEEK AT ST. OLAVE'S

CHAIR YOGA WITH DARLENE HEWITT: For people of all ages with various levels of physical limitations. Mondays at 10:00 a.m. in the Ethel Brown Room. Durations: 1 hour. Cost: \$10 per class; 1-month trail \$30; 12-week package: \$90. For more information, call Darlene at 416-357-3934.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Wednesday for Bible Study in the Ethel Brown Room. We meet every Wednesday at 10 a.m. Holy Communion in the Chapel follows at 11:15 am.

PILGRIMS GROUP: Wednesday March 4 at 2:00 p.m.

THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS: ST. OLAVE'S 2020 LENTEN SERIES, begins Wednesday, March 4. Join us for Evening Prayer at 6 p.m., followed by a light supper at 6:30 p.m. From 7 to 8 p.m., the Rev'd Robert Mitchell and the Rev'd Alexandra Pohlod explore traditional Anglican worship: The History and Structure of Morning and Evening Prayer (March 4); The Implements of Worship (March 11); Vestments and Clerical Wear (March 18); The History and Structure of Holy Communion (March 25); An Instructed Eucharist (April 1).

2020 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – COMING TO ST. OLAVES:
On Saturday, March 7, 2020, St. Olave's Church will be hosting a Word Day of Prayer Service at 10:00 am, followed by a reception downstairs in the Parish Hall. This ecumenical service offers prayers for women around the globe, with a focus in 2020 on the women of Zimbabwe. The invitation is out to everyone to join in the World Day of Prayer as we celebrate the theme: Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk. Women from neighbouring Christian churches will be participating in this event, to stand together in prayer and action. Follow on www.wicc.org. Rev'd Alexandra Pohlod will be participating and we will also be assisted by the ACW. We welcome new volunteers, to help with the service and with hospitality. Also welcome are any food dishes prepared for the reception. For more information please contact Annis Tebbutt at 416-658-4913, or at: annist@rogers.com.

SERVICES THIS WEEK:

Tuesday March 3	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Wednesday March 4	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 11:15 a.m. Holy Communion 6:00 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Ember Day</i>
Thursday March 5	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer
Friday March 6	8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer 12:00 noon ORA 4:30 p.m. Evening Prayer <i>Ember Day</i>

Saturday March 7 10:00 a.m. World Day of Prayer Service

Sunday March 8 8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer
Second Sunday in Lent

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LENTEN VEIL: The large dark purple cloth hanging behind the Altar is a Lenten Veil. The practice of the Lenten Veil is an ancient English practice that calls to mind the time between Adam's sin and the Passion of Christ, when humanity lost sight of God's face. As our eyes were veiled from the sight of God then, so we symbolically veil the beauty of our church during these penitential days of fasting and prayer.

HOW WILL YOU OBSERVE LENT THIS YEAR? The Book of Common Prayer marks the forty days of Lent as "Days of Abstinence" (see BCP p. xiii). Abstaining or giving-up something for Lent is a powerful way of marking this season. Don't make it too easy (giving up boiled spinach?) and don't make it too hard. Find something that you will notice, that will challenge you, but that you think you can manage without until Easter. It should be uncomfortable, but not punishing! Lent is also a time to focus inward, to read scripture, to pray and to do good works. Think about how you will observe Lent this year and use this time to grow closer to our Lord.

ACW EXECUTIVE MEETING: Tuesday March 17 at 10:30 a.m.

MARY & MARTHA GROUP: Tuesday March 17 at 1:30 p.m.

A LENTEN QUIET DAY WITH BISHOP ANDREW ASBIL AT ST. OLAVE'S! We are delighted that our Diocesan Bishop, Andrew, Asbil, will be leading a Lenten Quiet Day for St. Olave's on **Saturday, March 28, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.** A Quiet Day is an opportunity to take a pause from the stresses and busyness of daily life, and focus inward on the the spiritual life. There is no cost to attend, although donations for the provided lunch will be welcome. Please register by contacting Judy Beal at the church office, or online at www.stolaves.ca/quietday

THANKS TO OUR FEBRUARY GREETERS: Caroline Audet, Bette Birmingham, Craig Douglas, Janice Douglas, Cathy Hutcheon, David Hutcheon, Paul Scrivener, Judy Sher, Rev. Ruth Smith, Sheila Tait. Greeters welcome people when they come to worship at St. Olave's. A friendly face can make a huge impression, especially on a first-time visitor. Besides greeting people when they arrive and handing out bulletins, greeters also take up

the collection, assist people down the steps after communion and help the Wardens with the collection count. If you would like to be a greeter please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the clipboard in the Narthex at the Windermere entrance, or contact Janice Douglas at craig.janice@rogers.com for more information.

ANNUAL PANCAKE LUNCHEON, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2020

REPORT ON THE RESULTS: Well, this turned out to be a very proud day for St. Olave's. The results can be briefly summarized. An estimated 100 diners served in a virtually sold out parish hall. Total admission receipts of \$436. Food and beverage costs of \$247.46. So, a welcomed surplus contributed to treasury of \$188.54. We wish to especially thank our teams of volunteers (including our visiting Scouts, Guides and their Leaders) who all performed at an extraordinarily high level-- in every respect. We also thank the Scouts for their very generous donation of the real Ontario maple syrup and for bringing the fabulous cake to celebrate their 80th anniversary.

Sincerely, Jim Shapland, Chair. St. Olave's Hospitality Committee.

A NOTE OF THANKS:

To my family of St. Olave's:

I would like to thank The Rector, and Alexandra for this past Friday's and last Sunday's presentation to me. In all honesty, I never felt I was deserving of such praise of my longevity and accomplishments during my tenure as Head Lay Reader. Although my voice crackled when I spoke, I tried to say something of how I felt about serving and our congregation in general. Serving for the past 43.5 years has been an honour to me. I enjoyed each and every minute up to the present day. I can still leave St. Olave's and feel 10 feet tall following a service. Serving is one of the most rewarding things I have ever done in my life, so if you want to really feel the Real Presence during a service of worship, I suggest you consider the office of Server. What helped me throughout all those years was the support of the congregation, my Christian family. I was always a call away if I was needed by not only the Rector, but by anyone within the parish. This kind of dedication toward each other makes our parish much stronger. When I preached over the years, I could stand in the pulpit and picture where everyone sat from years past, along with their smiles, winks and undivided attention as I spoke. The congregation made me feel that my ministry was respected, understood and loved. Again, thank you all for the tremendous love and support you have given me over the years. My heart will always be here at St. Olave's.

Yours with sincerity and every blessing, Graydon McArthur

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ONLINE GIVING AT ST. OLAVE'S: We have enrolled in a stewardship program called tithe.ly which manages online giving for more than 12,000 churches in North America. Go to stolaves.ca/giveonline to make your gift to our general fund, our Second Century Mission Fund or our maintenance fund. **You do not need to sign in or create an account to make a donation.** You can also download the tithe.ly app for your phone and give-on-the-go. You will be prompted to set up an account for your first gift, but once you're set up, it's easy to make donations whenever or wherever you like!

STAY INFORMED ABOUT NEWS AND SPECIAL EVENTS AT ST. OLAVE'S! Please email the office at stolaves@stolaves.ca if you'd like to be added to our email list.

VESTRY UPDATE:

At our Annual Vestry Meeting held on Friday, February 21, the following people were appointed by the Rector:

Rector's Warden: Janice Douglas

Deputy Rector's Warden: Michael Jones

Religious Education Chair: William Cowling

Altar Guild President: Dale Allen

Flower Convener: Caroline Audet

Members of Advisory Board: Jim Leatch and Alicia Christopher. (Following the meeting, Jon Ingall was appointed *Head Server* and Henry Jeens was appointed *Deputy Head Server*.)

The following people were appointed by the Wardens:

Treasurer: Annis Tebbutt

Second Century Mission Fund Chair: Jean Lilley

Capital Fund Investment Committee Chair: David Hutcheon

Hospitality Committee Chair: Jim Shapland

Property Committee Chair: Sheila Tait

Secretary of Advisory Board: Judy Beal

And, the following people were elected:

People's Warden: Don Weston

Deputy People's Warden: Sharm Powell

Lay Members of Synod: David Pickering and Jon Ingall

Alternate Lay Member of Synod: Sandra Franke

Members of Advisory Board: Eric Hewitt, Paul Scrivener and Carol Ambler

Congratulations to all!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! A tentative date has been set for next year's Vestry meeting: Sunday, February 28, 2021, following the 10:30 a.m. service.

Vestry Financial update

As per the motion at last week's Vestry meeting, the wardens submit this correction and clarification to the financial report. The auditor's report revealed we had underestimated HST rebate for 2019. The correct figure reduced our Total Expenses to \$353,910, reducing our Net Deficit to -\$12,879. With the \$12K in Capital Fund transfers the final deficit for 2019 was -\$879.

	2018 ACTUAL	2019 BUDGET	2019 ACTUAL	2020 BUDGET
REVENUE				
GIVINGS	\$177,216	\$200,400	\$215,005	\$205,500
OTHER REVENUE	\$124,328	\$119,550	\$126,026	\$122,130
TOTAL INCOME	\$301,544	\$319,950	\$341,031	\$327,630
EXPENSES				
DIOCESAN	\$34,518	\$35,624	\$36,404	\$39,013
OUTREACH	\$770	\$1,000	\$400	\$1,000
MINISTERIAL LEADERSHIP	\$74,356	\$76,326	\$76,327	\$77,854
PASTORAL CARE	\$2,366	\$3,500	\$2,592	\$3,000
CURACY		\$5,500	\$5,357	\$6,700
RECTORY	\$9,317	\$9,350	\$10,453	\$9,356
MUSIC	\$42,611	\$45,062	\$41,195	\$46,897
CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$11,670	\$11,800	\$8,832	\$11,200
ALTAR GUILD & CHANCEL	\$4,092	\$2,600	\$2,828	\$2,850
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	\$5,653	\$5,095	\$5,045	\$5,415
FILL-IN CLERGY HONORARIA	\$1,213	\$1,300	\$319	\$100
ADMINISTRATION + HST	\$65,505	\$63,219	\$63,724	\$66,117
HOSPITALITY *	\$3,457	\$3,000	\$2,516	\$2,500
MISC (GIFTS, BOOKS)	\$1,929	\$1,550	\$1,697	\$800
CHURCH BUILDING	\$67,823	\$71,849	\$96,221	\$67,892
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$325,280	\$336,775	\$353,910	\$340,694
NET DEFICIT	-\$23,736	-\$16,825	-\$12,879	-\$13,064
<i>capital fund transfer received</i>	\$24,000	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$10,000

The Wardens also explained the discrepancy between the auditor's report and our financial report total income:

The Auditor's Report
 total income
 = **\$345,803**
 less PWRDF offerings **\$2,037**
 less memorial gift not
 included in operating **\$7,500**
 = **\$336,266**

Wardens' Financial report
 total income
 = **\$341,034**
 less Romanian admin fee not
 included in Auditor's Report
\$4,783
 = **\$336,251**